



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Leslie A. Albert, Sr., Fire Chief of the City of
3 Decatur, is retiring in October 2005 after 29 years of service;
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5 WHEREAS, Mr. Albert joined the Decatur Fire Department in
6 1976 as a Firefighter; he was promoted to Lieutenant in 1983,
7 Fire Captain in 1988, Battalion Chief in 1992, Fire Marshal in
8 1995, and Fire Chief in 1996; and

9 WHEREAS, He graduated from Blue Mound High School, Richland
10 Community College in 1990, the National Fire Academy in 1998,
11 Western Illinois University in 1999, and Grand Canyon
12 University in 2002, where he completed a Master of Science
13 Executive Fire Service Leadership Program; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Albert has been active in community affairs
15 and professional organizations; he has served on several
16 Illinois Office of the State Fire Marshal's ad hoc committees
17 involving technical rescues and Richland Community College's
18 Fire Science and EMS Advisory Boards; and

19 WHEREAS, He also retired in 1997 as a Master Sergeant in
20 the U.S. Army Reserves after 20 years of service and is a
21 critical care technician, certified cardiographic technician,
22 EMS and CPR instructor, paramedic, and advanced cardiac life
23 support instructor; and

24 WHEREAS, He and his wife, Sue, have two sons, Leslie A.
25 Albert, Jr., and Todd M. Albert, and five grandchildren;
26 therefore, be it

27 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
28 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
29 we congratulate Leslie A. Albert, Sr., on his 29 years of

1 exceptional service with the Decatur Fire Department and wish
2 him all the best in his retirement and future endeavors; and be
3 it further

4 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
5 presented to Leslie A. Albert, Sr., as an expression of our
6 admiration and esteem.